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SUBJECT: SOME SIGNS OF NORTHERN CDS FACTIONALISM

1. PARTY WITHIN A PARTY? SEPARATE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN TWO NORTHERN CDS DEPUTIES AND AMCONSUL REVEALED GROWING DISSATISFACTION OVER CDS POLICIES LAID DOWN BY PARTY LEADERSHIP OF AMARAL, COSTA, AND HORTA. DR. OLIVEIRA WAS FORMER HEAD OF CDS DELEGATION IN NATIONAL ASSEMBLY INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE. HE COMPLAINED THAT HIS OPORTO CENTER FOR ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAD BEEN ABRUPTLY CLOSED IN NOVEMBER BECAUSE OF FEARS THE CENTER WAS BECOMING "A PARTY WITHIN A PARTY." OLIVEIRA, A MEDICAL DOCTOR, WAS SHIFTED TO HEALTH COMMITTEE WHERE HE INTENDS TO DO NOTHING. OLIVEIRA CRITICIZED CURRENT POLITICAL IMPASSE AS DEMONSTRATING THAT FORMER PORTUGUESE DEMOCRACY OF ONE (SALAZAR) HAD BEEN REPLACED BY DEMOCRACY OF FIVE (EANES, SOARES, AMARAL, SA CARNEIRO AND CUNHAL). VIANA CDS DEPUTY ANA CORETA CORREIA (AND 78 IVP GRANTEE) IS HEAD OF OPORTO BRANCH OF CDS INSTITUTE FOR DEMOCRACY AND LIBERTY. HE PROTESTED THAT LISBON IDL OPERATION GOT 90 PERCENT OF TOTAL IDL BUDGET. BOTH WERE SUSPICIOUS OF ANY CDS/PS UNDERSTANDING WITH A PS/PCP SIDE AGREEMENT TO THE EXCLUSION OF THE PPD/PSD. OLIVEIRA MAINTAINED THAT 20 PERCENT OF THE 41 CDS NATIONAL

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ASSEMBLY DEPUTIES SHARED THIS SUSPICION.

2. COMMENT: OLIVEIRA IS AN ARDENT ANTI-COMMUNIST WHO OPENED THE OPORTO CENTER IN EARLY 1977 TO ADVISE LOCALLY ELECTED CDS OFFICIALS ON MATTER LIKE BUDGET, PLANNING AND ORGANIZATION, SOMETHING DESPERATELY NEEDED BY OFFICIALS NEW TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT. THE CENTER WAS THE ONLY EFFORT OF ITS KIND BY ANY DEMOCRATIC

PARTY IN THE NORTH. IT MAY HAVE BECOME TOO SUCCESSFUL OR PROMOTED TOO MUCH POLITICS INSTEAD OF PLANNING BUT ITS ABRUPT CLOSURE WITH NO SUBSTITUTE IS UNFORTUNATE LOCALLY FOR THE PARTY. OLIVEIRA IS BITTER AND BURNED OUT. CORREIA IS MORE MODERATE AND CONTINUES TO OCCUPY A LEADING POSITION IN THE CDS NORTHERN PARTY STRUCTURE.

3. RANK AND FILE FEARS. SUSPICIONS OVER A CDS/PS UNDERSTANDING WERE MIRRORED IN THE FIRST OF THE NEW YEAR CDS OPEN MEETINGS BETWEEN PARTY VICE-PRESIDENT AMARO DA COSTA AND OPORTO SUPPORTERS. COSTA HAD BEEN IN THE NORTH FOR SEVERAL DAYS CONSULTING LOCAL PARTY GROUPS. HIS JANUARY 3 SPEECH BEFORE OVERFLOW CROWD OF 400 WAS NOT WELL RECEIVED ACCORDING TO SEVERAL OBSERVERS. COSTA WAS CHALLENGED WHETHER CDS LEADERSHIP WAS TAKING THE PARTY INTO THE GOVERNMENT "BY THE BACKDOOR" VIA A PS/CDS AGREEMENT WHICH DOESN'T TREAT BOTH PARTIES AS EQUALS. OPORTO DAILY COMERCIO HEADLINED JANUARY 4 "NORTHERN CENTER DEMOCRATS SAY NO TO PS/CDS GOVERNMENT" AND QUESTIONED WHETHER COSTA'S CURRENT PULSE TAKING IN THE NORTH COULD LEAD TO BREAKDOWN IN PS/CDS TALKS.

4. COMMENT: SUCH PRESS REMARKS MAY BE OVERDRAWN. HOWEVER, SHOULD A PS/CDS AGREEMENT BE REACHED, CDS LEADERS WILL HAVE TO DO CONSIDERABLE EXPLAINING TO ITS NORTHERN SUPPORTERS WHO SENT 25 DEPUTIES TO THE ASSEMBLY AND WHO ALREADY FEEL UNFAIRLY TREATED. PENNER

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